

PATENT 5681-52900/P6761

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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5681-52900

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Inventor(s):

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Title:

A Connector For Electrically Coupling One or More Devices In a Processor-Based System

Examiner: Abrams, Neil Group/Art Unit: 2839

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF March 4, 2003

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of March 4, 2003.

Please amend the case as follows: